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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, EG, US

SUBJECT: MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT CARTER

PLEASE CONVEY URGENTLY TO PRESIDENT SADAT THE FOLLOWING
MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT CARTER:

BEGIN TEXT:

DEAR MR. PRESIDENT: I DEEPLY APPRECIATE YOUR READINESS TO
MEET WITH SECRETARY VANCE, WHOM I AM SENDING TO EGYPT ON
THE FIRST OF AUGUST TO CONCERT WITH YOU AND OTHER LEADERS
ON CARRYING FORWARD THE SEARCH FOR A MIDDLE EAST PEACE. HE
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AND I MET LAST APRIL.

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WITH RECONVENING THE GENEVA CONFERENCE. ON THIS VISIT, HE WILL WANT TO HEAR ANY THOUGHTS YOU HAVE DEVELOPED ON HOW TO RESOLVE THE PROCEDURAL QUESTIONS RELATING TO RECONVENING AND ORGANIZING THE CONFERENCE, PARTICULARLY THE PALESTINIAN

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I HAVE NOW HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO TALK WITH ALL THE PRINCIPAL LEADERS DIRECTLY CONCERNED WITH THE ARAB-ISRAELI CONFLICT, AND ALL HAVE SAID THEY WANT VERY MUCH TO REACH A FINAL AND COMPREHENSIVE SETTLEMENT. TO THAT END, I BELIEVE THERE IS A COMMON DESIRE TO RESUME THE NEGOTIATIONS OF THE MIDDLE EAST PEACE CONFERENCE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE AND TO OPEN NEGOTIATIONS WITHOUT PRECONDITIONS. THIS LEADS ME TO HOPE THAT NEGOTIATIONS WILL INDEED BE POSSIBLE THIS FALL.

I REALIZE THAT THERE REMAIN WIDE DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE PARTIES ON THE MOST IMPORTANT SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES. I APPRECIATE ALSO THAT YOU WOULD HAVE HOPED THAT, PRIOR TO ENTERING NEGOTIATIONS, WE COULD ACHIEVE A MAXIMUM MEASURE OF AGREEMENT ON THESE ISSUES, IN PARTICULAR ON THE QUESTION OF ISRAEL'S WITHDRAWAL FROM OCCUPIED TERRITORY AND
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THE UNITED STATES WILL BE PREPARED TO PLAY AN ACTIVE ROLE IN THIS PROCESS, WHICH WE SEE AS BEING CONDUCTED BY VARIOUS MEANS, INCLUDING TO A CONSIDERABLE DEGREE THROUGH OUR CONTINUING MEDIATION EFFORTS BOTH WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE CONFERENCE AND BILATERALLY. I WANT TO ASSURE YOU, IN THIS RESPECT, THAT MY VIEWS ON SOLUTIONS TO THE SUBSTANTIVE QUESTIONS REMAIN AS I DESCRIBED THEM TO YOU IN OUR MEETING, AND THAT THE U.S. WILL BE GUIDED BY THESE VIEWS IN THE EXERCISE OF ITS MEDIATION ROLE.

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